P 101500Z SEP 04

INSTRUCTIONS: This is a SHARES Message

FROM: Chairman, SHARES HF Interoperability Working Group

TO: SHARES Points of Contact, SHARES Stations, Emergency Response Personnel, NCC-HF Stations, NCS RM-HF Stations, NCS Auxiliary HF Stations

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SUBJ: SHARES Coordination Network (SCN) Operational Level Change Notice 04-8, SHARES Special Operation - Hurricane Ivan

REF: NCSD 3-3, NCSH 3-3-1, NCSM 3-3-1

- 1. Effective 111600Z SEP 04 (12:00 noon EDT, Saturday), the SCN Operational Level is changed from Operational Level 3 to Operational Level 2.
- 2. This SCN Operational Level change is requested by the National Coordinating Center for Telecommunications.
- 3. Situation. This SHARES Special Operation is being conducted in response to a possible threat from Hurricane Ivan.
- 4. Special Instructions.
- a. Stations participating in this SHARES Special Operation are requested to submit Station Availability Reports to a SHARES Coordination Station or Regional Coordination Station on any of the SCN channels listed in NCSH 3-3-1, Chapter 1 during the following check-in windows:

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September 11: 1600Z - 1800Z (12 noon - 2:00 p.m. EDT) *see paragraph 4b September 12: 1300Z - 1500Z (9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. EDT) September 12: 2100Z - 0000Z (5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. EDT) September 13: 0400Z - 0600Z (12:00 a.m. - 2:00 a.m. EDT) September 13: 1200Z - 1500Z (8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. EDT) September 13: 2100Z - 2300Z (5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. EDT) September 14: 1200Z - 1500Z (8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. EDT) September 14: 2100Z - 2300Z (5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. EDT)
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- b. The purpose of the Saturday check-in window is to specifically identify those SHARES stations in the vicinity of Miami, Ft. Lauderdale, Melbourne, Orlando, Tallahassee and Atlanta that can provide SHARES message traffic for deployed emergency response organizations during this special operation. Emergency response teams are tentatively planning to move northward, paralleling this storm, as it approaches the United States coastline, and could require SHARES communications support in these specific areas. SHARES stations located near these locations are particularly encouraged to participate in this Special Operation. All SHARES stations are encouraged to check-in during the remaining check-in windows. Check-in windows may be conducted as necessary.
- c. Coordination Stations are requested to submit Station Availability Report summaries to the SHARES Master Coordination Station, KGD34, immediately following each check-in window.
- 5. SCN Operational Levels are designed to improve the responsiveness of SHARES during emergencies. The three SCN Operational Levels are defined in NCSH 3-3-1, Chapter 1.
- 6. It is not the intent of this notice to direct the activation or participation of any SHARES station during this SHARES Special Operation. Participation in this or any SHARES operation is on a voluntary basis in accordance with reference documents.

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